

Council Connection



Public Service Days

March 3, 2025 through
December 12, 2025

Yard Waste Collection:

March 10, 2025 through
December 12, 2025

Tire Disposal:

June 14, 2025

Loose Leaf Collection:

October 27, 2025
through December 5, 2025

Shred Days:

May 11, 2025 and
September 14, 2025

DPW Yard Address

2951 Greenfield Rd
Dearborn, MI 48126
(313) 943- 2150

Upcoming City Events

Veterans Day Ceremony

November 11, 2024
Michael A. Guido Theater

Elder Fest

November 13, 2024, 10am-3pm
Ford Community &
Performing Arts Center

Festival of Trees

November 23-December 1, 2024

Dearborn Specials Dance

December 10, 2024, 6-7pm
Ford Community &
Performing Arts Center

Jingle Bell Bash

December 14, 2024, 2-6pm
PEACE Park 1.0

Daddy Daughter Dance

February 8, 2025, 6-8pm
Ford Community & Performing Arts
Center - Lincoln Ballroom



(Pictured: City Council members standing at the PEACE Park 1.0 Grand Opening on September 27th, 2024)

From the Desk of Council President

Dear Residents,

Over the past few months, our city has made remarkable progress on several key initiatives aimed at improving the quality of life for all our residents. We have successfully completed the construction of new public parks and recreational facilities, providing more green spaces for families to enjoy and for our community to gather. Additionally, we have invested in infrastructure improvements to mitigate flooding impacts, with corrective maintenance and the installation of several rain gardens throughout the city. We have also focused on enhancing public safety and community wellbeing. With the addition of new traffic calming measures such as, illuminated stop signs, speed radar signs and 300 speed humps placed around our schools and parks. Furthermore, we have launched new economic development programs to support local businesses and create more job opportunities, ensuring that our city continues to thrive and prosper. Together, we are building a brighter future for Dearborn.

- Mike Sareini

34th City Council Small Business Grant Initiative

In the summer of 2024, Council initiated and approved funding for a Small Business Grant Program. This council-driven initiative offered Dearborn businesses- those with 15 or fewer employees, operating in the city for at least five years, and in good standing with the City- an opportunity to apply for \$5000 in assistance to improve and enhance the exterior of their businesses. The City of Dearborn is pleased to announce the recipients of the Council's Small Business Grant Initiative:



(Pictured: City Council presenting the Small Business Grant Recipients with their award)

- Hemad, LLC
- Jack's Bike Shop
- Coiffeur D'Elegance
- Square 4 Media
- Heads on the Run
- Oasis Middle Eastern Kitchen
- Aswaq Alkhaleel
- Makah Town Center
- Dearborn Professional Building
- Hashem Holdings
- Sam's Coffee House
- Westborn Michigan Ave. Car Wash
- Al Abbas Cookies
- Al Fahd Supermarket
- Zeiva Professional Center

Please join us in congratulating our local businesses on receiving their grant awards!



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Traffic Calming Measures

The Council approved funding as part of our ongoing efforts to reduce traffic incidents through various traffic-calming measures. These measures include solar-powered flashing crosswalk signs, illuminated stop signs, speed radar display signs, and access gates and fencing throughout the city and in parking decks.

The initiatives aim to slow vehicle speeds near parks, schools, and other high-traffic areas used by multiple types of road users. Additionally, 300 speed humps will be installed in areas where data shows that prevailing speeds exceed 25 mph. Fencing will also be replaced at the Wagner parking deck and the two other decks on W. Village Drive.



City Ordinance Changes You Should Know About

Residential Lot Coverage – Ord. No. 24-1822

The City Council has approved updates to the ordinance to offer more flexibility to residents while balancing the responsibilities and limitations of our stormwater system. These changes will allow residents to make better use of their properties, while maintaining the environmental benefits of dedicated permeable greenspace in residential neighborhoods.

Summary of Changes:

- Increased flexibility for homeowners: Residents can now install popular amenities (e.g., pools, gazebos, pavers, sheds) by removing the 35% total structure coverage limit.
- Permeable pavers: Up to 5% of the total landscape area may now be used for permeable pavers.
- Driveway construction: Driveways may now be constructed from permeable pavers, as long as the materials are manufactured to support vehicle weight.
- Lot coverage: The maximum permitted lot coverage for larger properties has been increased from 40% to 45%, aligning with similar property categories.

Tree Removal – Ord. No. 24-1823

Summary of Changes:

- A recent Federal Court ruling determined that the requirement to pay into a tree fund when removing a tree on personal property at a one-to-one ratio is unconstitutional. As a result, this requirement has been eliminated.
- A tree permitting fee of \$125 has been added, replacing the previous fee of \$0, for removing a tree that is 16 inches in diameter or larger. This fee ensures the removal process is conducted safely.
- Residents removing a tree 16 inches in diameter or larger may now waive the replanting requirement on their property. In such cases, the City will plant a tree on public property or easements to maintain and grow the city's tree canopy.
- Failure to obtain a permit for removing a tree 16 inches in diameter or larger will result in a civil infraction ticket for the first two offenses. A third violation within a 12-month period will be classified as a criminal misdemeanor.

Partners for Paws: City and Shelter Collaboration

Located behind the Henry Ford Centennial Library, the Dearborn Dog Park provides a safe, fun place for dog owners to enjoy. It is available to Dearborn residents only with dog license and park membership. Documentation that the dog has been spayed/neutered, along with proof of current vaccinations is required.



Check your chip! Ensure your pet's microchip info is up to date to make reuniting easier if they get lost. If your pet isn't microchipped, consider getting one—most vet offices can help, or check the Friends for Animals Facebook page for upcoming clinics. We're also seeking dog walkers and cat volunteers! [Learn more about volunteering at metrodetroitanimals.org.](http://metrodetroitanimals.org)

- ▶ Dog Licenses now available at FAMD and reduced application fee with proof of spay/neutering
- ▶ Dog Park memberships cost \$35 and must be renewed annually by March 1st at the City Clerk's Office.

Dog Park Hours of Operation:

March 16 through
December 14:
8am to 8 pm

December 15
through March 15
8am to 5pm